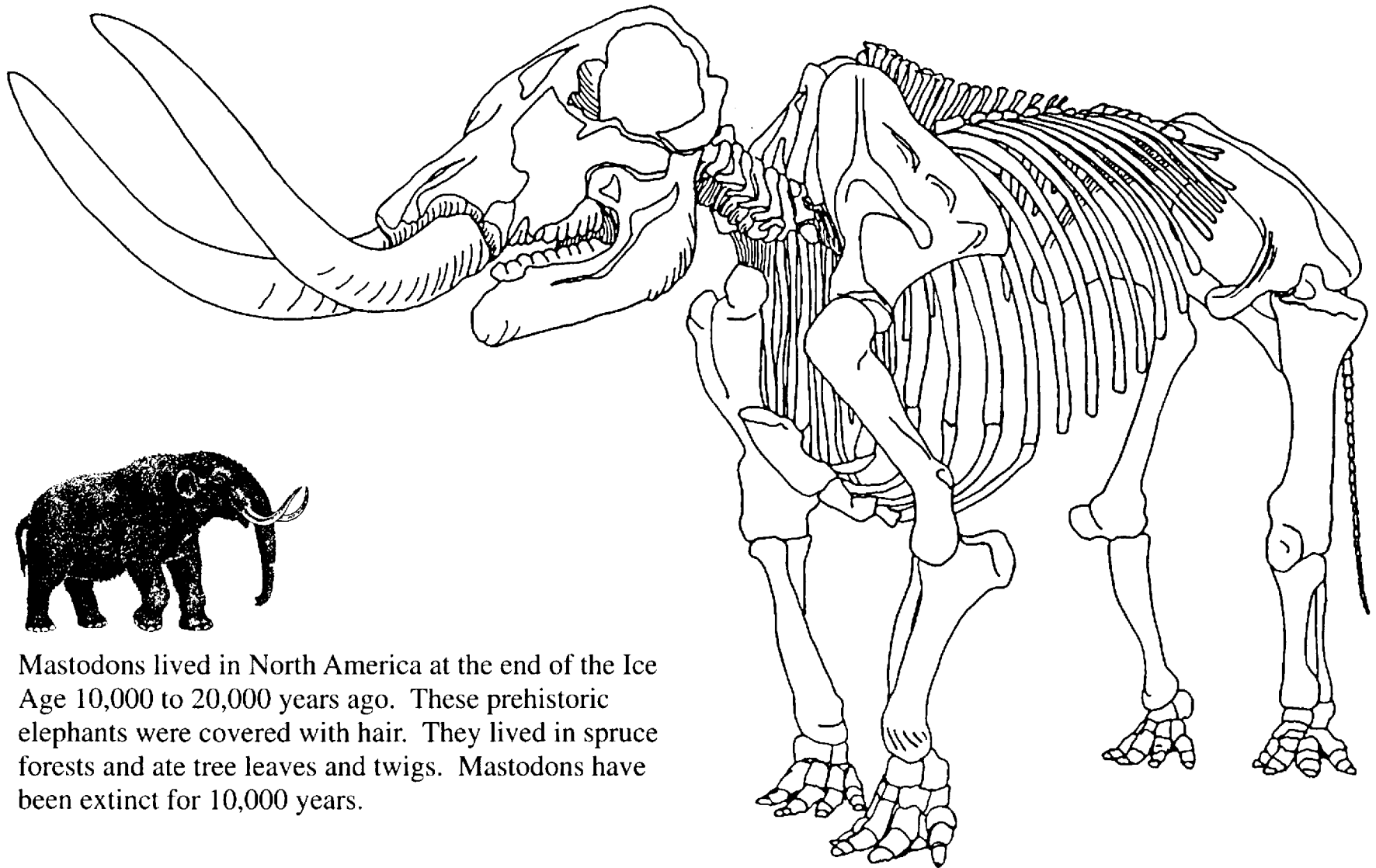


# American Mastodon

*Mammot americanum*

THE FIRST PEOPLE: NORTH DAKOTA PREHISTORY



Mastodons lived in North America at the end of the Ice Age 10,000 to 20,000 years ago. These prehistoric elephants were covered with hair. They lived in spruce forests and ate tree leaves and twigs. Mastodons have been extinct for 10,000 years.